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AGAINST US.

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DAMASCUS FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

1. FAHMY TELEPHONED ME FROM HIS HOME MID-AFTERNOON TODAY. HE
TOLD ME TODAY'S ROSE AL-YUSUF, LEFTIST WEEKLY, CARRIES FRAUDULENT
USIS/ATHENS PRESS RELEASE OF THE ALLEGED YEO SPEECH.
HE POINTED OUT THAT PUBLICATION OF THIS DOCUMENT IS VERY
DAMAGING TO US AND EMBARRASSING TO SADAT. (WE HAVE

NOT YET GOTTEN OUR COPY OF LEFTIST ROSE AL-YUSUF, BUT ARE ATTEMPTING OBTAIN COPY AND WILL SEND ARTICLE ASAP.)

2. I RECALLED OUR PREVIOUS DISCUSSION OF THE DOCUMENT AND READ HIM THE YEO STATEMENT DENYING YEO HAD EVER MADE ANY SUCH SPEECH OR ACCOMPANIED FORMER TREASURY SECRETARY SIMON ON LATTER'S TRIP TO EGYPT OR THAT HE HAD NEVER BEEN IN EGYPT. MOREOVER, AS I HAD PREVIOUSLY TOLD HIM, USIS/ATHENS NEVER ISSUED ANY SUCH PRESS RELEASE. I ASKED FOR FAHMY'S COUNSEL ON HOW WE MIGHT BEST COUNTER ROSE AL-YUSUF ARTICLE.

3. FAHMY SUGGESTED WE CALL IN EGYPTIAN AND FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS WITHOUT DELAY AND GIVE THEM YEO STATEMENT. HE SUGGESTED WE ALSO TELL PRESS THAT USIS/ATHENS NEVER ISSUED ANY SUCH PRESS RELEASE AND THAT WE POINT OUT OTHER INTRINSIC EVIDENCE SHOWING DOCUMENT IS A FRAUD. WE SHOULD ADD, FAHMY PROPOSED, THAT DOUCMENT IS CLEARLY A "FRAUDULENT COMMUNIST DISINFORMATION EFFORT" AND IS TOTALLY INCONSISTENT WITH FREQUENTLY DEMONSTRATED USG POLICY OF STRONG SUPPORT FOR SADAT AND GOE. (HE DID NOT SUGGEST WE ATTRIBUTE DOCUMENT DIRECTLY TO SOVIETS, BUT TO "COMMUNISTS".) HE REPEATEDLY URGED THAT WE ACT QUICKLY.

4. REQUEST DEPT URGENTLY CONTACT YEO AND OBTAIN HIS PERMISSION TO GIVE STATEMENT CITED REF B TO EGYPTIAN AND FOREIGN PRESS IN CAIRO. WE WILL ALSO EMPHASIZE TO PRESS OTHER EVIDENCE THAT DOCUMENTS IS FRAUDULENT AND, IF DEPT CONCURS, INDICATE OUR BELIEF THAT IT WAS DRAWN UP AND CLANDESTINELY DISTRIBUTED BY UNKNOWN ELEMENTS, PERHAPS COMMUNISTS, FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF DAMAGING
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